From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE

GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 4:59 PM

To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Schedule

### Governor -

Dan Saddler and the COS need to speak with you in regards to the Court of Appeals Judge Decision.
This needs to take place before noon on Friday, 08.29.08.

 Commissioner Irwin and Marty have asked if they could speak with you in regards to in-state gasline Issue. I asked if this could wait until your return from out of state or if they would meet with the COS. They responded that they need to meet with you before you go out of state.

These can both be done by phone. Thanks, Janice

From:

Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE

GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]

Sent: To: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 3:59 PM

'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'

Subject:

Request

Governor - I received a phone call from Nelson Garrett w/ Garrett's Tesoro in Anchorage. He's inviting the Governor to come out to Garrett's Tesoro Monday, 09.01 @ 2:00pm and help change the price of gas on their signs. The price is going down 8 cents and Channel 13 will be there.

I let Mr. Garrett know that you would be in travel status on that date. He just wanted to relay that his truckers are so happy as every little bit helps. Janice

From:

Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE

GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=GOVERNOR]

Sent: To: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 8:28 AM

cc:

Mason; Janice L (GOV) Benedict; Nichole M (GOV)

Subject:

FW: Seniors

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

----Original Message----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 12:03 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Seniors

Web mail from: Mr. Rett Adair

address: 4321 n. captain cir Wasilla AK 99654

357-6674

#### MESSAGE:

I wanted to say thank you for the system in wasilla, for without it I would be home-less. I've been verry sick and they stepped in with dignaty and are helping me with my medical expenses, and all the things inbetween. I'm 59 and my world tipped over when I got hurt. I also reckonise the reason that I'm here in Alaska was the same one I came for in 1970 still makes as much sence as it did then. There are NO strangers in alaska, just people that we haven't met yet. I voted today as I did when you ran for office...your views mirrior my own on most things and make me proud for voteing for you. Boy could americans in the lower 48 do with a leader who can identafy with the indavidual citazen like you have here.

R.Morgan Adair....wasilla

rmadair@mtaonline.net

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 5:24 PM

To: Mason; Janice L (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)

Cc: McAllister, William D (GOV), Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV)

Subject: Re: Request

If I am back though-yes, I'd love to do this!!!

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Mason, Janice L (GOV)" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 27 Aug 2008 15:59:22 -0800

To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Request

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 4:01 PM

To: Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)

Subject: Re: please approve

#### Great

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 27 Aug 2008 14:22:04 -0800

To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> Subject: please approve

# **Governor Palin Signs Bill Approving AGIA License**

August 27, 2008, Anchorage, Alaska – Governor Sarah Palin today signed House Bill 3001, authorizing the state to award an AGIA license allowing TransCanada Alaska to start developing a 1,715-mile natural gas pipeline from a treatment plant at Prudhoe Bay to the Alberta Hub in Canada. The Governor signed the bill at the Alaska AFL-CIO's biennial convention.

"After dreaming of a natural gas pipeline for more than 30 years, Alaskans have now created the framework for the project to advance," Governor Palin said. "This legislation brings us closer than we've ever been to building a gas pipeline and finally accessing our gas that has been languishing for so many decades on the North Slope."

TransCanada Corporation has successfully constructed many natural gas pipelines and now operates more than 36,000 miles of natural gas pipelines in North America.

"TransCanada appreciates the support the Governor, the Legislature and Alaska have shown for the Alaska gas pipeline, and our role as the AGIA Licensee," TransCanada Vice President Tony Palmer said. "Our company has started field work on the project in order to meet our target date for completing the initial open season within two years."

TransCanada Alaska has already authorized specific aerial photography, engineering work and environmental gap analysis in support of the open season project. The AGIA license will be issued in 90 days.

Sharon Leighow Deputy Press Secretary Deputy Communications Director

(907) 269-7450 Anchorage (907) 465-4031 Juneau (907) 240-7943 cell

From: Sent: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 4:46 PM

To: Cc: Subject: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Burkert; Erin E (GOV)
FW: General\_Administration

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

----Original Message----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, August 26, 2008 5:58 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: General\_Administration

Web mail from: Mr. David McCarthy

address: 1895 Fairways Dr. NE Kalkaska MI 49646

231-258-2617

#### MESSAGE:

Dear Senator Palin,

I just read an article that informed me about your little one whose Norse name, Trig, means "brave victory." We have a special son as well, developmentally delayed for life by a stroke at birth, he is now 19 years old and has been God's gift to us.

Thank you and your husband for your testimony. Our country needs more families like you.

My wife Sue and I, think your testimony and solid character would be a good match for the McCain's vacant vice-position.

Dave McCarthy

Pastor, Mancelona Baptist Church

Mancelona MI 49659

dsmccarthy@sbcglobal.net

From: Sent:

Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 12:18 PM

To:

mhayes68@cfl.rr.com

Subject:

RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

----Original Message----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 11:09 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Matt Hayes

address: 1024. W. Yale St. Orlando FL 32804

407.446.1840

MESSAGE:

Ms. Palin

I recently heard about your son Trig, and his diagnosis. We have a 16-year-old daughter with Down syndrome and 13- and 12-year-old daughters with autism. It's a long, tough road, but we have been blessed by God to have such beautiful children who work hard every day to overcome their disabilities.

My job at Sporting News Magazine allows me to meet some wonderful people, and more times than not, those I meet either have a child with special needs or have been touched in some way by a child with special needs. The community is much larger than any of us realize.

I recently interviewed Notre Dame football coach Charlie Weis, who has a daughter that is globally developmentally delayed. It's funny how a bond is instantly built when speaking with another parent of a child with special needs.

I will follow your career from here in Orlando, and wish you and your family the best.

Kind regards,

Matt Hayes

mhayes68@cfl.rr.com

From: Sent: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 4:59 PM

To: Subject: destepp@webbwheel.com

ject: RE: Other

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

----Original Message----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 1:42 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. Daniel Stepp

address: 513 Natalie Drive Goodlettsville TN 37072

615-305-5162

#### MESSAGE:

Dear Governor: Thanks for being a striking example of leadership and common sense thinking toward economics in your great State. We have dear friends who live in Anchorage and will see them hopefully before this year's end. I wish you well in your tenure there, your family is so precious! Thanks also for supporting the National Rifle Association! Semper Fidelis USMC Viet Nam 1968 Dan Stepp

Let's get John McCain elected President in November!

destepp@webbwheel.com

From: Sent: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 5:04 PM

To: Subject: beth\_anne322@hotmail.com RE: General\_Administration

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

----Original Message----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 12:04 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: General\_Administration

Web mail from: Bethany Hansen

address: 3411 Halyards Cir Anchorage AK 99516

503-896-2205

MESSAGE:

Governor Palin,

I just wanted to send you a note to thank you for the wonderful job you are doing as our governor. I've been a supporter since the beginning, was delighted to attend the election party at the Captain Cook when you were elected, and have continued to be impressed by your leadership, just as I knew I would be.

Despite public flack for any number of things, I just want you to know many people recognize the things the press fails to portray in favor of your situation and perspective in regard to many things.

You are highly respected and appreciated.

May you continue to have confidence in your mission for Alaska and your ability to lead...

God Bless,

Bethany Hansen

P.S. I had the privelege of serving you and your family at Orso just prior to your election and thoroughly enjoyed it. I'm at Orso as a night server now, starting Tuesday and would love to serve you again, should the opportunity arise.

Best regards...

beth\_anne322@hotmail.com

From:

Morgan, Katryn L (GOV) [kate.morgan@alaska.gov]

Sent:

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 4:57 PM

To:

sp@hsiak.com

Cc:

Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV); McAllister, William D (GOV); Hughes;

Rosanne D (GOV)

Subject:

08.29.08 AK Military Youth Academy Graduation

Importance: High

### Governor,

Here are your remarks and event info for the Alaska Military Youth Academy graduation taking place at the PAC on Friday morning. For referece, this speech has been approved by the Communications Team, Tom & Marty, & the appropriate special assistants. I will have a hard copy ready for you on Friday, as I understand you may not be in tomorrow. Have a wonderful evening and please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

## Thank you!

Kate Morgan Communications Coordinator Office of the Governor (907) 269-7450

From: sp@hslak.com

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 11:38 AM

To: Hughes; Rosanne D (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Re: Governor's Labor Day Message - to all state employees

#### Great thanks!

Sent via BlackBerry by AT&T

From: "Hughes, Rosanne D (GOV)" <rosanne.hughes@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 27 Aug 2008 11:30:06 -0800

To: <sp@hslak.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>

CC: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV) < kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Governor's Labor Day Message - to all state employees

### Governor,

Mike approved of your message with one word change —"support the needs of your fellow Alaskans" instead of "meet the needs of your fellow Alaskans."

Okay to send out on Friday?

A Labor Day Message from Governor Sarah Palin

As we take this opportunity at the end of our Alaskan summer to spend time with friends and family members this Labor Day, I want to thank you, the hard-working employees of the State of Alaska for your service. We honor and celebrate your achievements and dedication, and we thank you for all you do to support the needs of your fellow Alaskans. Enjoy a safe and happy holiday weekend!

From:

gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Sent:

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 9:56 AM

To: Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); McAllister; William D (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)

Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject:

Re: COS

Yeah right... Thank YOU!!!

----Original Message-----

From: M Nizich

To: Bill McAllister

To: Sharon Leighow

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Cc: Kris Perry

Sent: Aug 27, 2008 9:52 AM

Subject: RE: COS

Thank you, Thank you

----Original Message----

From: McAllister, William D (GOV)

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 8:43 AM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); ExternalEmailgsp

Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: RE: COS

Congratulations!

----Original Message----

From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 8:42 AM

To: ExternalEmailgsp; McAllister, William D (GOV)

Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: RE: COS

#### YIIIIPPPPPEEEE!

### ----Original Message----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 8:39 AM

To: McAllister, William D (GOV); Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)

Cc: Nizich, Michael A (GOV); Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: COS

Comm folks- would you announce in a presser today Mr. Nizich as COS... no longer "acting". He can get you bio info.

Thanks Mike Nizich! WhooHoo!!!

Sent from my BlackBerry(r) device from Cellular One

From:

gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Sent:

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 8:47 AM

To:

Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)

Subject:

Re: COS

I know! I'm so thankful he said yes!

----Original Message-----

From: Sharon Leighow

To: Governor Sarah Palin

To: Bill McAllister

Cc: M Nizich

Cc: Kris Perry

Sent: Aug 27, 2008 8:41 AM

Subject: RE: COS

YIIIIPPPPPEEEE!

----Original Message----

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From:

gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Sent:

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 8:44 AM

To: Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV) Nizich; Michael A (GOV)

Subject:

Fw; COS

K- pls do a blanket email to commissioners from me that announces nizich when nizich says we are good to go.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

----Original Message----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Wed, 27 Aug 2008 16:39:28

To: Bill McAllister<br/>bill.mcallister@alaska.gov>; Sharon Leighow<br/>Sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Cc: M Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>; Kris Perry<kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: COS

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Thanks Mike Nizich! WhooHoo!!!

From: Sent: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 8:40 AM

To: Subject: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV) Re: R u in Juneau?

Cool.

----Original Message-----

From: Kris Perry

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent; Aug 27, 2008 8:36 AM

Subject: RE: R u in Juneau?

Here in Anchorage; he flew up last night.

----Original Message----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 8:33 AM

To: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Fw: R u in Juneau?

Wheres Nizich

Sent from my BlackBerry(r) device from Cellular One

----Original Message----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Wed, 27 Aug 2008 16:31:38

To: M Nizich<mike.nizich@alaska.gov>

Subject: R u in Juneau?

From: Sent:

To: Cc: gov.sarah@yahoo.com Wednesday, August 27, 2008 8:39 AM McAllister; William D (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV) Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject:

cos

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From: Sent:

Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov] Wednesday, August 27, 2008 8:28 AM

To: Cc:

Mason; Janice L (GOV) Benedict; Nichole M (GOV)

Subject:

FW: Seniors

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----Original Message----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 12:03 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Seniors

Web mail from: Mr. Rett

From: Sent: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 8:25 AM

To: Subject: ravensroost@gcl.net RE: Elections

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

----Original Message----

From: WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov [mailto:WebMail@govweb.alaska.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 3:08 AM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Elections

Web mail from: Ms. Karen Matthews

address: 482 Cindy Drive Fairbanks AK 99701

907-978-1443

#### MESSAGE:

I would like to thank you for endorsing Mr. Parnell over Mr. Young. It's time for Alaska to move beyond legacy lawmakers and into innovation and renewed trust in our government.

I vote Democratic, so I could not vote for Mr. Parnell; however, should my candidate lose, I can't think of a better choice of person to win in his stead.

Keep the faith, Governor Palin. You have the intelligence, wit, grace and guts to go a long way and to accomplish many goals for our beautiful state.

ravensroost@gci.net

From: Sent: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 8:02 AM

To: Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)

Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Hanson; Britta L (GOV)

Subject:

Re: Speech

Thank you. When was it?

----Original Message-----

From: Janice Mason

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Cc: Kris Perry

Cc: Britta Hanson

Sent: Aug 27, 2008 7:20 AM

Subject: Re: Speech

I was told that the AG was giving the speech in your place. Janice

Sent using BlackBerry

---- Original Message ----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Hanson, Britta L (GOV)

Sent: Wed Aug 27 07:15:10 2008

Subject: Speech

J- where is the Intl Right of Way speech on the sched? If I can't do it PLEASE have the LtGov or a commissioner take my place bc I'm sure the group was counting on me being there. When was it?

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: Sent:

gov.sarah@yahoo.com Wednesday, August 27, 2008 6:55 AM

To: Cc:

Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Morgan; Katryn L (GOV)

Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Subject:

Re: School

#### Thanks!

----Original Message-----

From: Kris Perry

To: Governor Sarah Palin

To: Kate Morgan

Cc: Janice Mason

Sent: Aug 27, 2008 6:49 AM

Subject: Re: School

Yes, will do.

---- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Morgan, Katryn L (GOV)

Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Mason, Janice L (GOV)

Sent: Wed Aug 27 06:14:47 2008

Subject: School

K- may I get Alaska pins and governor pencils (or pens) to drop off at gladys wood elem school today after my afl cio speech.

Sent from my BlackBerry® device from Cellular One

From: Sent: To:

gov.sarah@yahoo.com Wednesday, August 27, 2008 5:47 AM Bishop; Clark C (DOL)

Subject:

Thanks! See you at the luncheon.

----Original Message-----

From: Click Bishop

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Sent: Aug 26, 2008 12:43 PM

Subject:

Gov palin your speech looks great right from the heart you can never go wrong with that approach click

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Sent:

Wednesday, August 27, 2008 11:34 AM

To:

Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)

Subject: Re: please approve

## Great thanks

Sent from my BlackBerry device from Cellular One

From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 27 Aug 2008 11:30:26 -0800

To: <gov.sarah@yahoo.com> Subject: please approve

## **Governor Palin Names Mike Nizich Chief of Staff**

August 27, 2008, Anchorage, Alaska – Governor Sarah Palin today named Mike Nizich Chief of Staff. Nizich, who started his state service under former Governor Jay Hammond, has most recently served as acting Chief of Staff since May.

"I could not be more pleased that Mr. Nizich has decided to continue working with the team and serve the State of Alaska in this capacity," Governor Palin said. "Mr. Nizich is a well-respected, proven leader with decades of institutional knowledge and a profound understanding of the public policy process."

Nizich, 56, came to Juneau in 1971 with the U.S. Coast Guard. He started working for the state of Alaska in 1976 in the Office of the Governor. Nizich served as Director of Administrative Services under Governor Bill Sheffield, a position he held through the Knowles administration. Governor Frank Murkowski appointed him Deputy Chief of Staff, and Nizich continued in that position in the Palin administration.

"It has been a privilege and a pleasure to be a part of state government," Nizich said. "I look forward to meeting the challenges ahead in my new position."

Nizich will work out of the Juneau office.

Sharon Leighow Deputy Press Secretary Deputy Communications Director

(907) 269-7450 Anchorage (907) 465-4031 Juneau (907) 240-7943 celi

From: McBride, Rhonda (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE

GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=RMFAUBION]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 6:25 PM

To: Sarah Palin; Todd Palin

Cc: Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)

Subject: Case Study on Suicide

## Governor,

One of my goals in coming to work for you was to keep you in touch with the people of Rural Alaska – in meaningful ways.

I hope this report on Akiak's problems will give you some insight into Alaska's suicide epidemic. I know it's an issue close to your heart.

My hope is to pass on some of this information to some non-profits, to see if they might help Akiak finish its playground and get some additional resources for mental health.

Thanks,

### Rhonda

Rhonda McBride
Rural Affairs Advisor
Office of the Governor
Atwood Building, Suite 1700
550 West 7th Avenue
Anchorage, Alaska 99501
Tel: (907) 269-7451

E-Mail: Rhonda.McBride@alaska.gov

From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]

Sent: Wednesday, August 27, 2008 10:13 AM

To: Mike Nizich; Governor Sarah Palin

Cc: Joseph Balash; Kris Perry; Sharon Leighow; Russ Kelly

Subject: ANWR/Republican Platform

Per the article below from the Congressional Quarterly, the Republican platform committee has rejected a proposal to support oil development in the coastal plain of ANWR. However, the Committee did include language opposing permanent withdrawal of the coastal plain from leasing and rejected an effort to restrict oil exports from new leases.

Regarding ANWR, the Committee's decision to remain silent on support for coastal plain development leaves the final determination squarely with Senator McCain. So, nothing has changed from our prior communications on this subject.

CQ TODAY ONLINE NEWS - POLITICS Aug. 27, 2008 - 1:07 p.m. GOP Platform Writers Reject Drilling In Alaska Refuge By Kathleen Hunter, CQ Staff

MINNEAPOLIS - Republican platform writers beat back an insurgent attempt Wednesday to endorse drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge amid concerns that such a move could undercut John McCain's effort to win the White House in November.

The 112-member GOP platform-writing committee is hammering out the party's policy blueprint here in advance of next week's Republican National Convention in neighboring St. Paul.

Unlike President Bush and most of the Republican base, McCain, the senior senator from Arizona, does not support ANWR drilling, although he has left open the possibility of reconsidering that view in the future.

In an effort to avoid a rift with the presumptive nominee, the draft proposal unveiled Tuesday called for "accelerated exploration, drilling and development in America, from new oil fields off the nation's coasts to onshore fields such as those in Montana, North Dakota and Alaska" but was silent on the specific issue of ANWR.

Platform committee member David Boyle of Alaska proposed adding language that would explicitly include drilling in ANWR, saying the Issue enjoyed broad support, was very important to voters and should be addressed in the platform. Boyle pointed out that he has ties to the McCain campaign - he is listed as the Alaska contact on the campaign's Web site - but said the issue was too important to ignore in the platform.

Backers of Boyle's amendment argued that it would translate into support for Republicans across the country.

"I don't believe that there is a stronger way to support our candidate than to support what our people want," said platform member Cathie Adams, of Texas. "This has become the number one issue in this campaign . . . I think this is a very positive move . . . one that would bring people to the party and to our candidate."

Opponents countered that inserting the language would do more harm than good, saying it would undermine McCain, who, they pointed out, recently came around to supporting increased drilling in the outer continental shelf. They also pointed out that the underlying language was carefully drafted to avoid embarrassing McCain,

while at the same time not precluding drilling in ANWR, which many said they supported.

"The goal is to not have this serve as a lightning rod," said Terry Strine of Delaware, a member of the platform committee's energy and environment subcommittee, which debated for more than four hours Tuesday.

"This will bring difficulties and challenges for John McCain and none of us want to do that," Strine added.

Others echoed that concern.

"We have a nominee for the party who is entitled to a platform he can run on, and we should not create unnecessary conflicts between the nominee and the platform," said James Bopp of Indiana.

Platform members said they were confident that McCain, if elected, eventually would be convinced to support drilling in a 2,000-acre coastal plain section of ANWR.

"We are blessed with a candidate who actually thinks and is capable of changing his position when he receives new data," said Jeff Grossman of Oregon. "We know that president McCain will eventually come around to our position- but he's not there yet."

Some platform members said it was important to call for ANWR drilling in the platform to send a message to McCain.

"To let him know how strong the sentiment is on this issue, we do him a service, not a disservice," said Sandra McDade of Louisiana.

"This is an accountability tool, and we're accountable to our base and to the people who sent us here," said Kendal Unruh of Colorado.

The platform-committee did accept a proposal, offered by Kim Skipper of Alaska, that would oppose efforts to permanently block access to ANWR, a move that panel members viewed as a viable compromise for now.

"President McCain will be in a much better position to get this accomplished than Senator McCain," said Mike Fair of South Carolina.

Republicans halled rejection of the proposal as a sign that members of the party were willing to put aside their own views to avoid crossing McCain.

"That shows the support that Senator McCain has in this room," said Trey Grayson of Kentucky, who co-chaired the environment subcommittee. "That's a real sign of unity. It's not lip service. That's action."

With less internal disagreement, the platform committee also rejected a proposal to discourage the export of oil and gas garnered from any new leases.

Opponents were concerned that the amendment would force McCain to take an anti-free-trade stance prior to the election. Mississippi Gov. Haley Barbour said the proposal ran counter to the open-market, free-trade positions Republicans outlined in the economic portion of their platform. Barbour is chairman of the platform-writing panel's economic subcommittee, which spelled out a policy of lower taxes, decreased regulation and smaller government. The panel approved that portion of the platform Tuesday.

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#### Governor:

Here's what I've got for you for media to this point at the RNC:

8:30 a.m. Tuesday – Newsweek breakfast, Crowne Plaza Hotel, 11 E. Kellogg Blvd. (close to the convention center). Contact: Gail Tacconelli, 301-509-1379, <a href="mailto:gtacco@newsweek.com">gtacco@newsweek.com</a>.

10 a.m. Tuesday – National Public Radio, "All Things Considered," interview with Robert Siegel, Crowne Plaza Hotel (see above). Contacts: Carol Klinger: 202-725-8109, caklinger@npr.org; Julia Buckley, 202-744-9610, irbuckley@npr.org.

Post-speech, Tuesday evening - Cal Thomas, syndicated columnist, wherever we can get you together immediately afterwards. Contact: Cal himself, 703-533-1361, jctlatsyn@aol.com.

9 a.m. Wednesday - USA Today round-table, River Center (next door to the Xcel Center). Contact: Gwen Flanders, 202-365-0500, gflanders@usatoday.

10:15 a.m. Wednesday - National Review, interview with Rich Lowry. Contacts: Lowry, 917-301-9778; Katherine Connell, 212-679-7330, kconnell@nationalreview.com.

3 p.m. Wednesday - Fox News, "Your World with Nell Cavuto," in the Fox sky box in the Xcel Center. Contact Jennifer Seelig, 973-768-7910, jennifer.seelig@foxnews.com.

8 p.m. Wednesday -- Fox News, "Hannity and Colmes," in the Fox sky box in the Xcel Center. Contacts: Thomas Holmes (before convention), 212-301-5817, tom.holmes@foxnews.com; Lauren Fritts (at convention), 917-860-1195, Fritts@foxnews.com.

8:30 a.m. Thursday (tentative) – CNN, live interview with Soledad O'Brien, who will be remote from New York, at the CNN booth in the Xcel Center. Contact: Allison Blakely, 404-488-6513.

10:15 a.m. Thursday – Bloomberg Television, "Conversations with Judy Woodruff," location TBA. Contact: Julie Slattery, 202-624-1866, jslattery@bloomberg.net.

Note: PBS' "NOW" program has canceled without explanation.

Blocs of time during which I'm not sure if I can schedule anything:

- -- Late afternoon/early evening Wednesday.
- -Afternoon/early evening Thursday.
- -Friday morning.

Outstanding media requests (not granted yet due to scheduling conflicts or dubious importance):

- -The convention itself is requesting you to act as a surrogate for McCain for national media. Available blocs of time, daily, are 5-9 a.m., 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Within those, they ask when you might be available for this purpose.

  -BBC
- -Wisconsin Public Radio
- —Forum moderated by Lesley Stahl, formerly of CBS, including Huckabee and Barbour, sponsored by universities, the Mayo Clinic and the Obesity Society, 11-11:45 a.m. Tuesday, James J. Hill Library, St. Paul. —"The New GOP," a panel of Republican governors talking to Politico.dom, Yahoo and either the Minneapolis Star-Tribune or the St. Paul Pioneer Press (the invitation laughingly referred to the Minneapolis Pioneer Press), 8-

9:30 a.m. Tuesday, Crowne Plaza Hotel.

-The International Democrat Union, a working association of over 80 center or center-right political parties,

headed up by former Australian Prime Minister John Howard, is holding sessions with Republican officials, including Romney, McConnell and Kyl.

--Pan Desi, the first English-language TV network for South Asians.

To those who have been fielding phone calls and e-mails, please let me know if I've overlooked something.

--Bill